

# **Disaster Risk Management Model Framework for PAPU**

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# INTRODUCTION

- Disaster - is an occurrence disrupting the normal conditions of existence and causing a level of suffering that exceeds the capacity of adjustment of the affected community.
- Risk - a situation involving exposure to danger.
- Management - the process of dealing with or controlling things or people.
- Risk management - is the process of identification, analysis, and acceptance or mitigation of uncertainty in investment decisions (in the case postal operations management).
- Framework - a basic structure underlying a system, concept, or text

# INTRODUCTION (CONT'D)

- Therefore DRM ( called the Emergency and Postal Resilience by the UPU, since June , 2022) is a combination of the terms defined herein before;
- Malawi & Mozambique have been tasked to develop the Disaster Risk Management Model Framework for PAPU Member States to be presented to the Strategy Committee (SC) in July, 2022 in DRC for consideration, deliberation and adoption before approval by the Administrative Council during the same month in DRC;

# INTRODUCTION (CONT'D)

- The Disaster Risk Management model framework for PAPU Member States will endeavour to highlight the steps that will be taken in order to avoid disruption of postal operations during an occurrence of a disaster.
- Disasters come in different forms
  - Natural calamities cyclones, floods, earthquakes which some countries such as Malawi, Mozambique, Zimbabwe etc. have experienced in the recent past;
  - Pandemics such as COVID-19;
  - They can also be in the form of conflicts.
- In developing the framework, reference has been to Building Resilience - A Guide To Disaster Risk Management For The Postal Sector (UPU booklet) of 2016.

# MISSION, GOAL AND OBJECTIVE

- The mission of the framework is for
  - Prevention (P) - the action of stopping a disaster from happening or arising.
  - Preparedness (P) - a state of readiness in case a disaster happens.
  - Response (R ) - an answer to a disaster occurrence ; and
  - Recovery (R ) - a return to a normal state of operations
- PPRR goal is to ensure a balance between the reduction of risk and the enhancement of postal operations resilience.
- The objective of the framework will be to ensure:
  - Effective response and
  - Recovery capabilities for designated postal operators in PAPU Member States that will enable them deal with the effects of any form of disaster that may occur.

# OUTCOME OF DRM FRAMEWORK

The DRM framework will assist PAPU Member States in the following ways:

- i. Identify potential disaster risks and manage actual ones;
- ii. Reduce the number of disaster related risks;
- iii. Identify policies, responsibilities and procedures to protect staff and customers as well as effectively manage disasters;
- iv. Promote understanding of disaster response program for staff for PAPU Member States through training sessions;
- v. Establish operational concepts and procedures associated with responses to emergencies.

# WAY FORWARD

- After finalising the model framework, it will be submitted to the Strategy Committee (SC) at its meeting in July, 2022 in DRC for adoption before approval by the 40<sup>th</sup> Ordinary Session of the PAPU Administrative Council;
- The approved document will thereafter be disseminated to PAPU Member States for adaptation and usage;
- The Working Group will then have to monitor and evaluate implementation.



# CONCLUSION

The working group is then invited for comments and advice on this submission.